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William Kennard, Chair Federal Communications Commission 445 12 Street SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Mr. Kennard:

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

I am writing you on behalf of CWA Local 9423, which represents over 2,800 telecommunications workers. It is most encouraging to learn that the Federal Communications Commission is taking a fresh look at its rules in regards to low power FM ("micro radio").

I would also like to urge you to craft a plan for allocating spectrum space to communities which is simple, straightforward and easy to use.

We urgently need a system of worker oriented, community based local radio stations, which are controlled and operated by the people in the communities they serve. We strongly urge that the Commission consider the option of a completely non-commercial, locally owned and locally programmed micro radio service.

If I can be of any assistance in your consideration on this matter please contact me on (408) 261-4150.

Sincerely.

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President CWA Local 9423

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